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Method for NGF assay for *in vitro* diagnosis of breast cancer and therapeutic use

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ABSTRACT

10 The present invention concerns a method for the *in vitro* diagnosis of breast cancer which consists in determining the presence of NGF in a biological sample derived from a patient suspected of suffering from breast cancer. Said method may be used both in early diagnosis, screening, therapeutic follow-up and prognosis, and in the diagnosis of relapse in the case of breast cancer.

15 The present invention also concerns the use of an NGF binding partner or of an NGF inhibitor for preparing a medicinal product, said medicinal product being in particular useful for blocking tumor proliferation and remote dissemination in patients suffering from breast cancer.

Applications: diagnosis and therapy

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No figure